

Don Williams Recreation Area Youth Ice Fishing Derby Rules



Saturday, February 18th, 2017



1. Iowa fish and Wildlife regulations must be obeyed.
2. The participants must be under 16 years of age. The participants must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Note: Youth under 16 years of age are not required to have a license.
3. All fish must be kept alive for measuring and returned to the water. A dead fish will not be measured. (Plastic bags will be provided to transport fish to the judges' station.)
4. All fish brought to be judged must be caught by the youth participant
5. Ice Derby Organizers will drill holes if you do not have an auger
6. Bait (wax worms, spikes, minnows) will be available for sale at the bait shop on site.
7. Ice shacks and portable shelters are allowed. They cannot be placed over holes until the contest starts.
8. Registration is required. Pre-registration by noon on Friday, February 17th is encouraged.
9. Pre-register by emailing or calling Katie Healy, khealy@boonecounty.iowa.gov or (515) 230-3285
10. All contestants must check in or register before fishing.
11. Registration on site starts at 8:30 a.m., and will continue until 11:30 am on February 18th, in the Lodge by the Lake. Participants need NOT be on site for the entire event.
12. The Derby start time is 9:00 a.m. and the Derby finish time is 12:00 p.m.
13. No fish will be measured after 12:00 p.m., February 18th.
14. The youth participant will receive an additional raffle ticket for every fish that is caught and measured by the judges.
15. All youth will receive a door prize and a raffle ticket to be put in a drawing for one of several larger prizes. The larger prizes will be drawn for at 12:15 PM.
16. Derby boundaries: fish anywhere through the ice on Don Williams Lake. Note: For personal safety, fishing near the spillway is prohibited.
17. All species of fish will be counted
18. All fish submitted to the judges will be measured for length.
19. Judges' decisions are final on all fish and contest rules.
20. Raffle prize distribution will occur after the derby has ended. (Not before 12 p.m.) The contest award location will be in the Lodge by the Lake, near the Marina boat ramp.
21. Each participant may only win one larger prize during the raffle. The participant does not need to be present to win
22. Organizers and Sponsors or anyone else concerned with the Don Williams Youth Ice Fishing Derby are not responsible for any personal injuries or property damage or loss.
23. By registering for the Don Williams Youth Ice Fishing Derby you agree to abide by these rules even if you have not read them.
24. In the event of inclement weather or unsafe ice conditions, the derby may be canceled. If the ice fishing derby is canceled, pre-registered participants will be emailed or called directly, and the cancelation will be posted on the Boone County website by 12 p.m. on Friday, February 17th.

If there are any questions, contact Boone County Conservation Board: Katie Healy, khealy@boonecounty.iowa.gov or (515) 230-3285; or Andy Hockenson (515) 353-4237; or Tanner Scheuermann, tscheuermann@boonecounty.iowa.gov

